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Price — Three Cents

The "Ridge" Organizes Large Summer Colony Meets Its Problems

As reported in the Press of its last issue, the Rustic Ridge Associ- for many years at the local High as well as choose its officers.

community comprise a large part known and popular here and reof its population and the value of sided with her mother on South their properties return a consider- Main Street. She was a member able amount to the tax collector, of the Fortnightly club, the Teach-They must be given a fair considers association and had served a eration by the citizens and voters term as a member of the trustees of the town in improvements.

president, Dr. W. H. Bollman of Lancaster, Pa., Treasurer, Rev. W. H. DesJardins of Newark, N. J.; Recording secretary, Dr. David O. Cowles of Orange, N. J. and corresponding secretary, Miss Therese Simar of New York city.

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Mosquito committee; Dr. W. C. Atkins, Miss Louise Roe, Mrs. C. F. Ohlandt, and Charles S. Cre-

Milk committee; Miss Lucy Jackson, Miss Alice M. Pedley and Mrs. W. H. Doremus.

Necrology; Charles S. Cregar. Mrs. W. H. Doremus, Miss Martha Bollerman and Dr. Elizabeth Mc-

Road committee: Thomas C.

C. F. Ohlandt.

Mrs. William Voorhies.

Local representative of the As- success in the years to come. sociation is William F. Hoehn, to whom all matters of business ac- Mrs. Parker Resigns tivity should be referred.

north and south through Rustic year part-time clerk at the ration-Ridge tract on the former Rustic ing board, will resign on Septem-Way and Rockside road has been ber 1 from that position. Her considerably improved as a town presence will be greatly missed. road and any section of the sum- for her pleasant personality, keen mer colony can be reached from mind, and capable handling of the

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Parker and fice, the board, and the public. two sons, Seth and Edgar, spent last week enjoying a vacation at Kennebunkport, Maine.

Julia Austin Resigns High School Teacher Removes To Vermont

Miss Julia B. Austin, a tearher ation which is Northfield's largest school, recently tendered her resigsummer colony, has held its annual nation to the school board which meeting for a review of its activi- was accepted with much regret. ties, to plan for the work of next Miss Austin taught Latin, history season and to elect its board of and Economics and leaves to acdirectors and name its committees cept a position to teach Social Sciences at the Spaulding High school The summer sojourners in this in Barre, Vermont. She was well of Dickinson library. She was born The officers of the Rustic Ridge in Margaretville, N. Y., where she Association for the coming year received her early education and are; President, Dr. Arthur L. graduated from the high school. Berger of Syracuse, N. Y.; Vice- She went to Middlebury college



Duncan, George W. Carr, Dr. W. and graduated in 1927 receiving C. Atkins, Rev. R. A. Heydenrich, her A B degree. She also studied Howard S. Harris and Dr. Walter at Massachusetts State college. After teaching in Vermont for two Social committee; Miss Ruth P. years she came to Northfield. On Card, Miss Maud Curtis, Miss Monday evening, August 28, at Gertrude Lauber, Miss Mable Liv- Alexander hall a reception was teningston, Miss Shirley Wright dered her as a farewell by students Miss Ruth Johnson, Mrs. Charles and citizens and after a very pleas-Crane and Carlton L'Hommodiep, ing program was rendered, she Recreation committee. Dr. Par- was presented a remembrance. Her ker B. Halloway. Rev. Charles address in Barre will be at 17 Crane and Parker Holloway jr. Academy St. In a final note, as a Tree committee; Dr. W. H. Boll- card of thanks Miss Austin says, man, W. D. Anderson, Rev. Mar- "I wish to take this means of extin Ray, Mrs. J. F. Schmadeke, Dr. tending to all the people in North-Elizabeth McIntire and Mrs. W. field who have helped to make my residence here so pleasant, my sin-Road signs and directory; Dr. cere appreciation. I am deeply Francis L. Jones, Rev. Henry T. grateful to those of you who in McKnight, Charles S. Cregar and any way contributed to the fine reception given to me Monday eve-Garbage removal; Mrs. Charles ning." Surely this community loses Wright, Miss Josephine Moody and a valued citizen and all will join in wishing her abundant joy and

Woodruff Road, which now runs Mrs. Evelyn Parker, for the past North Lane or from Myrtle Street, intricacies of rationing made her

PRESS ADS - NONE BETTER

96th Annual

Franklin County Fair

GREENFIELD

SEPTEMBER 11-12-13

TWO BIG NIGHTS — TWO BIG DAYS

Mon. - Tues.

Tues. - Wed.

FAIR TIME IS FUN TIME AT THE FRANKLIN COUNTY FAIR

. . .

Will Attract Visitors Franklin County Fair To Be Held Soon

condition.

The flood of entries in all de- lowing persons as members of the partments assures that every space will be taken. Once again the policy of the Franklin County Agricultural Society is justified, in Mrs. Joseph Letwinsky, Mrs. Roy maintaining its Fair as an outstanding agricultural exposition. For the past several years, county Mrs. Philip Mann, Jr., Mrs. Fred farmers have been steadily improv- Avery, Mrs. Leon Whitmore, Mrs. ing their dairy herds and the Fair Frederick Chapin, Mrs. Harold this year will have very extensive Tenney, Mrs. John Mroczek, Mrs. showings of cattle in each of the Willis Parker, Mrs. Galen Stearns breeds, Milking Shorthorns, Jer- Mrs. Leonard Lanphear, Mrs. Fred seys, Holsteins, Guernseys and Stone, Mrs. Louis Abbey, Mrs. Ayrshires, for which prizes are Fred Kelley, Mrs. Alvin Porter offered.

the increasing interest in egg pro- Bernard Whitney, Mrs. Arthur Edduction as an important factor in dy, Mrs. Helen Bassett, Mrs. Huthe world food supply. The rapid-bert Eastman, Mrs. George Bronof Cheviots in the sheep classes will add much interest.

As it looks now every space in the round house will be filled to Both Are Ensigns overflowing. Numerous Granges

promising to be the greatest ever lumbus, Ohio, for assignment. this year. The Boy Scouts will hold their annual encampment and demonstration area in their Mo- Lovers of real old fashioned hawk Village. The ever popular horse racing will find the Fair a wild life display will again be the mecca of delight. Early entries ascenter of attraction for young and sure that a full two day program old and the cattle judging will of fast heats will be seen. The make the judging ring a center of track is in splendid condition.

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KEENE, N. H.

Thursday, Sept. 14-

Friday, Sept. 15-

Saturday, Sept. 16-

New Members Added To The Fortnightly Change In Officers

Published in the Interest of the People of Northfield and Vicinity

Swinging into its 96th year, with The Executive committee of the nearly a century of successful Fortnightly, recently held in Al- ard has been having a furlough showings behind it, the Franklin exander Hall was presided over by at the home of his parents, Mr. County Fair will open at the fair- Mrs. George Sheldon the presgrounds at Greenfield for its an- ident and many important mat and Mrs. Henry M. Shepard of nual two day, two night presenta- ters were considered. Mrs. George tion on September 11, 12 and 13. W. Carr tendered her resignation When the ticket takers assume as First Vice-President and Mrs. their places at 4:00 P.M. on the Leon Russell was named in her opening day, everything inside the stead. Mrs. Manuel Lopez was graduated on Aug. 4th as a singlespacious grounds will be ready, chosen to fill the vacancy on the Throughout the summer crews of Music committee. The completed workmen have been busy placing program list will soon be issued the buildings, equipment and from the printer and sent to all grounds in perfect shape. Never members and the first session of were the grounds in more perfect the Fortnightly will be on Friday October 6.

The committee elected the fol-

Mrs. J. S .McGavren, Mrs. Harvev Jack, Mrs. Leslie Martin Lanphear, Mrs. Lawrence Quin-The Poultry house will reflect Scott, Mrs. Edward Tenny, Mrs. Miss Alice Drake, Mrs. Alvin

Birdsall Brothers

Draft oxen from four states will But the Fair won't be all work be in the drawing ring Tuesday and no play. The Midway will be morning engaged in the sharpest filled with all the new and old contest in years. The Franklin rides, games and attractions. An County Fair has become known extensive vaudeville program will for its draft animal classes and be presented each night and each exhibitors are always anxious to afternoon on the stage in front of show at Greenfield. In the draft the grandstand. The Armed Ser- horse classes the early entries are vices will have displays as will al- largest ever and the winners as so the Salvage section of the WPB, determined on Wednesday will be the War Bond division of the able to claim the right to the title

divisions and departments of out- Pre-Fair tickets are already on sale throughout the county.

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SEPT. 14, 15, 16

Mrs. Moore's Grandson Now Flight Officer Awaiting Orders

Flight Officer James M. Shep-Alford. He spent recently a day in Northfield visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Merrill Moore at her home on Maple street. He was



gardens with that of professional has followed the experience of his Marana Field, Tucson, Arizona and ture. farmers. The fruit growers will brother, Robert F. Birdsall, who his advanced at Williams Field, was commissioned an Ensign sev- Chandler, Arizona. He is a gradcanning exhibition will again be eral months ago, after concluding uate of Searles High School in with the rank of Second Lieut. the largest in the State, if not the his studies at Annapolis. Robert Great Barrington, class of 1941, and an account of whose gradua-

Seminary Opens Sixty-sixth Year On September 12

erations Officer, the local ration- dergraduate at Dartmouth. the public on the following hours public. only: Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, from 9:00 A.M. to The Cheshire Fair 12 noon, and from 2:00 to 4:00 Has Good Program P.M.; on Thursdays from 9:00 A. M. to noon, and from 7:00 P.M. The Cheshire Fair. representa-

Many Visit Museum

Many visitors called at the headquarters of the Historical Society during its opening on two days recently and enjoyed the many exhibits which were displayed. ly growing interest in sheep will son, Mrs. Cora Ware, Miss Mar- Dec. 15, 1942 and went first to and much new material has been be noted in the large number of jorie Ware and Mrs. Carl Comp- Kearns Field, Utah. He was grad- added, perhaps those interesting uated from the Army administra- the people most being the historical tion school at Brookings, S. D. and articles relating to Northfield and in April 1943, he was classified its development through the years as an aviation cadet. He then re- During the recent openings, Cuceived his basic training at Kees- rator Joseph R. Colton was assist-With the commissioning of ler Field, Miss., preflight instruc- ed by a group of members who have indicated that they would Richard D. Birdsall, son of Mr. tion at the U. of Denver and was explained in detail the many exand Mrs. M. D. Birdsall of Mount sent to the classification center at hibits and they did their task in marvelous displays which they have Hermon, as an Ensign in the Naval Santa Ana, Cal. His primary flight an effective manner. The hope is always created. Victory gardeners Reserve after graduating from the training was received at Sequoia expressed that the Museum will be will compare the fruits of their midshipmna's school at Cornell, he Field, Visalia, Cal., his basic at opened more frequently in the fu-

is an instructor at Annapolis and Flight Officer Shepard has an old-tion and commissioning was pu-Junior department activities are Richard has just reported to Co- er brother Henry M. Shepard in blished in the Press of Friday, the service, who is a military pilot April 24th.

Todd Duncan To Give Concert In Auditorium

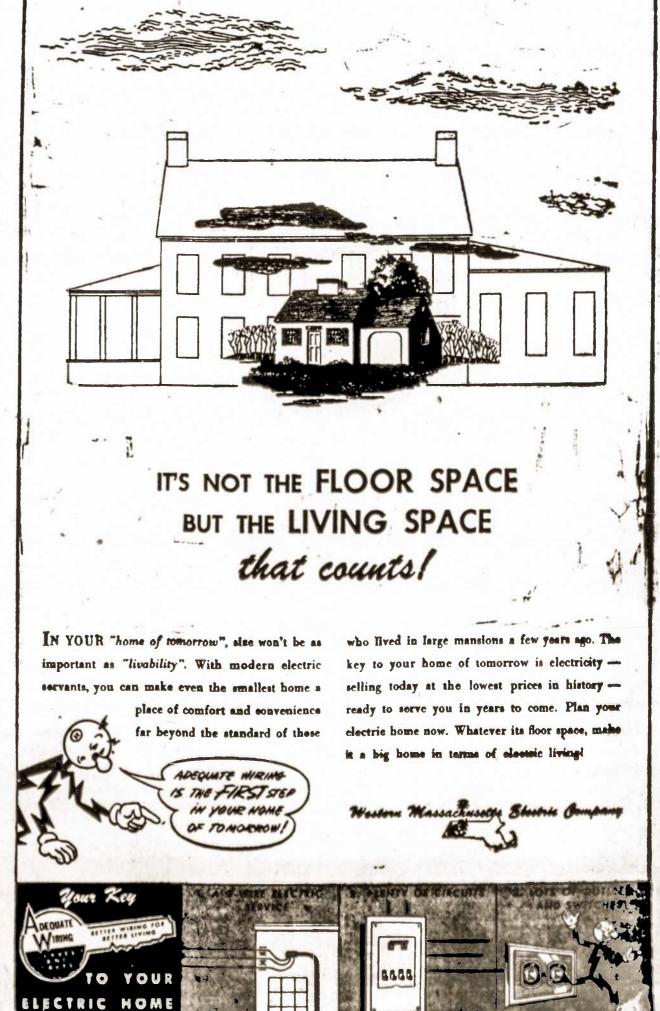
The sixty-sixth year of The The openingt number of the Northfield Schools will start Sep- Northfield School entertainment tember 12th when the Northfield course will feature Todd Duncan School for Girls opens. Both old baritone star of concert, stage and new students will register on and screen, at the Northfield Audithat day. New students at Mount torium on Saturday evening, Sep-Hermon School will register on the tember 23rd. Mr. Duncan, who is 13th and old students the follow- a member of the Howard University faculty, is best known as a member of the cast of the famous Negro folk opera, "Porgy and Bess" in which he has starred for the past two years.

At the insistence of the Office His son Charles attended Mount of Price Administration's Field Op- Hermon School and is now an uning board office is to be open to The recital will be open to the

to 9:30 P.M. on Fridays the of- tive of the Monadnock Region will fice will not be open to the pub- be held at Safford Park in Keene, lic. Since there is a great pressure September 14-16 and the manageof work, and the office staff has ment extends a cordial invitation been reduced, the public is urged to residents of this town and vicinto cooperate in observing these ity to make it a visit. There will be plenty of interest to occupy a full day and evening and the Friday will be Governers day. Inclusive planning by the officials in charge is being made and the premium list has been printed and sent out. Copies may be had by addressing the Secretary, Cheshire Fair, Keene, N. H. Music will be provided by three bands, the Keene City Band, the High School Band and the Junior Police Band and the "Old Homestead" double quartette will sing. A new feature at the fair will be provided by firemen in a contest on hose laying. Exhibits aplenty will afford interesting visits and amusements will be plenty. Enjoy a day at the Cheshire Fair.

> Mrs. Fred S. Merrifield celebrated her birthday on August 23rd when many friends extended their greetings. Her birthday cake held three candles, one for each quarter of a century. Flowers in abundance decorated her home.

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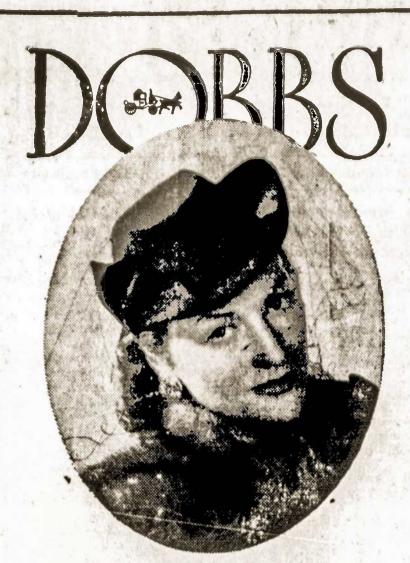
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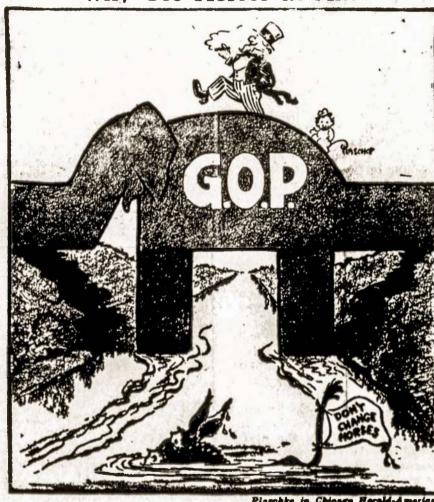
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GASOLINE - November 8 -Last day for A-11 ocupons good for three gallons. B3, B4, C8 and the supper at the Vernon Union the local price panel at their reg-

FUEL OIL - September 30last day for period four and period five coupons. All coupons worth 10 gallons a unit. New 1944-45 fuel oil coupons will become good for 10 gallons upon Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Slate. their receipt by the consumer from local OPA Boards.

Miss Carol Duncan of Jamaica Thomas J. Duncan, spent a short turned to her home. vacation on a visit with them at their summer cottage here.

Gospel Tent Meetings By Salvation Army

In a large tent on the gorunds just north of the Bronson Inn, a series of evangelistic meetings minded that red stamps now be-come valid every 4 weeks instead

Maj. William Brindley of the local this year, having received his of every 2 weeks. Thus the num- camp of the Salvation Army and training at Camp Wheeler in ber of points is reduced to 15 for assisted by officers and members Georgia and at Fort George Meade of the Greenfield corps. Speakers in Maryland. PROCESSED FOODS - Good were Salvation Army officers and indefinitely - Blue Stamps A8 a number of local clergymen. The Atop Mt. Sugar Loaf through Z8 and A5 to L5 in Book Salvation Army band assisted in Four, worth 10 points each. Blue the music and also in the singing. tokens worth one point each, used An interested audience was pres- in town on Wednesday, August 30, ent at each meeting.

Sugar Stamps 30, 31 32 and 33 in child with her step son, "Sonny" Book Four, each good for five are with her mother, Mrs. Allen the top of Mount Sugar Loaf at pounds and remain good indefiH. Wright of Main Street for a South Deerfield a state reservation nitely. Sugar Stamp 40 in Book visit. Her husband is in Washing- visited each year by many people. Four, good for five pounds for ton on service duty. "Sonny" will enter Mount Hermon school this

self quite at home at the residence again at their offices to serve the of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. John- public. Merritt C. Skilton of the son. It arrived many days ago East Northfield postoffice is secand has been fed and cared for retary of the association. in War Book Three good for one as it flies in and out of the garage each day. It bears a band Price Expert Here AU44M22003 and Mr. Johnson hopes to find its owner.

church Wednesday evening the ular meeting at the ration board 30th including many from North- on Thursday, August 17, and dis-

daughters of Springfield have been ence was very helpful. The memvisiting here at the homes of Mr bers of Northfield's active price and Mrs. Charles F. Slate and

Mins Mary Frank of Madison N. J., who has been a guest at the home of Miss Ethel V. Law-N. Y., daughter of Mr. and Mrs rence on Myrtle Street bas re-

Town Tax Rates In Franklin County

In the final compiling of the tax rates for the various towns of Franklin county it is shown that twenty six towns, retain the same rates for 1944 as prevailed the year previous. Buckland, Monroe and Gill share the honors for the lowest rate of eighteen dollars each. Leverett has a rate of \$48, the highest in the county. Northfield reduced its rate one dollar. Here is a list of the rates in the 26 towns:

Ashfield \$22.00, Bernardston \$28.00, Buckland \$18.00, Charlemont \$38.00, Colrain \$30.00, Conway \$28.00, Deerfield \$24.00, Erving \$21.00, Gill \$18.00, Greenfield \$26.80, Hawley \$40.00, Heath \$41.00;

Leverett \$48.00, Leyden \$32.00 Monroe \$18.00, Montague \$29.00 New Salem \$32.80, Northfield \$35.00, Orange \$38.60, Rowe \$32.00, Shelburne \$28.00, Shutesbury \$24.00, Sunderland \$26.00 Warwick \$35.00, Wendell \$36.00 Whately \$25.00.

The Comptons Return

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Compton their daughter and Mrs. Compton's mother have returned to Northfield for residence. They formerly occupied one of the missionary houses on Main Street and Mr Compton was a member of the faculty at Mount Hermon school. He was called to Washington to serve on the American committee for Greek relief and last week was summoned for transportation abroad to his field of effort. The family are occupying the summer cottage of Miss Ethel Allen in Mountain Park but will remove to the home of Mrs. E. F. Howard which they have leased for a year, while Miss Compton attends the Seminary. For many years Mr. Compton was the Dean of Anatolia college in Thessalonica. Greece, but fled the country just previous to its ocupation by German troops. Friends welcome the return of the family and many will follow the activities of Mr. Compton with much interest as he serves in the governmental undertaking.

Local Movies Attract Successful Effort

The movies, which have been provided in town hall every Friday evening during the past year have met with success, both in atendance and showing and have been called real local morale builders. The members of the committee who have been in charge deserve a than kyou for their labors. Now that there has been a reorganization, Gene Cullum has assumed the responsibility of future showings and the community can show its appreciation by a generous patronage. The exhibit of the film this Friday evening Sept. 1 is Eagle Squadron with Robert Stack and Diana Barry more; Sept. 8, The Young ir Heart, with Billie Burke and Roland Young; Sept. 15, Cheers for Miss Bish: p, with Martha Scott and William Gargan, and Sept. 22 History is made at Night, with Charles Boyer and Jean Arthur

Gets Purple Heart

Pvt. Roy J. Fish of Winchester try Division of the Fifth Army in Italy has received the award of the Purple Heart for injuries received in battle on June 9, according to information received by his wife recently. Pvt. Fish is in the hospital but making a rapid recovery from his wounds. He is forwere held recently for a week by warding the medal to his wife. Pvt.

You couldn't find a Postmaster It was their time off to enjoy a summer picnic meeting of the Mrs. Ernest Leavitt and young Western Massachusetts Postmast-There were addresses by the "bigwigs" and a sumptous feast of good things. Anyway all report a most A carrier pigeon has proven it interesting visit and they are back

Henry Knight, area price spe-There was a large attendance at cialist from Springfield, visited cussed many of the problems pre-Mrs. Gladys Frisbie and two sented. All agreed that his prespanel are Albert Anderson, chairman, Mrs. Gladye C. Bistrek, Mrs. Dorothy Hammond and Mrs. Elisabeth Holton, working together with Louis Abbey as community service member to keep prices below ceiling level.

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